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Re: Universitat Politecnica De Catalunya  
U.S. Divisional Patent Application of  
U.S. Serial No. 09/744,655  
Inventor: Rogelio Areal GUERRA  
For: METHOD FOR THE DE-ACIDIFICATION OF CELLULOSE MATERIAL  
Our Ref.: G80-019 DIV

Sir:

The above-identified utility patent application is transmitted herewith for filing.

Enclosed are:

1. 28 Pages English Appln., including 6 Claims and 1 Pg.  
Abstract;
2. Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from parent case Serial No.  
09/744,655, filed March 16, 2001 - (2 Pgs.);
3. Check - Amt. \$ 385.00 - No. 5884 (Filing Fee-Small Entity).

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Claims Filed: 2 (- 3) = 0 x \$86.00

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